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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-16 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1,6-9 and 14-16 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 2-5 and 10-13 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 7/30/03 & 3/8/05.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: ____.

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1. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities:

Paragraph (0024), - - conventional - - should be inserted before "test mode controller";

paragraph (0025), "an address decoder" should be replaced with - - a conventional address decoder - -; and

paragraph (0026), - - conventional - - should be inserted before "test mode decoder".

Appropriate correction is required.

2. Claims 2-5 and 10-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

As per claim 2, lines 1-3, "the test mode decoder means is controlled by the test mode setting signal and" should be deleted; and

line 7, "the group selecting signal" does not have a clear antecedent basis.

As per claims 3-5, these claims are also rejected because they dependent upon the rejected base claim.

As per claim 10, line 7, "the group selecting signal" does not have a clear antecedent basis.

As per claim 11-13, these claims are also rejected because they dependent upon the rejected base claim.

3. Claims 1, 6-9 and 14-16 are allowable.

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Reasons for Allowance

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: claims 1, 6-9 and 14-16 are allowable over the arts of record. This is because the arts of record does not teach or disclose the invention as recited in claims 1 and 9, and including:

a test mode selecting circuit configured to receive lower address bits of the address signal and the test mode group signal and, in response thereto, output a test mode item signal indicating a selected test mode to be performed,

wherein the test mode item group comprises a predetermined number of test modes among a plurality of test modes.

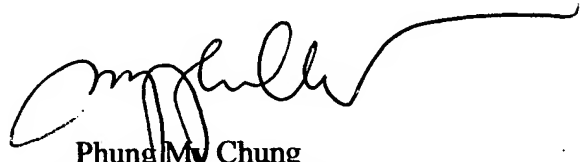
Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Phung My Chung whose telephone number is 571-272-3818. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Albert Decady can be reached on 571- 272-3819. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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